



INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY WITH **CHENNAI METROPOLITAN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (CMDA)**

ABOUT CMDA:

Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority (CMDA) was originally constituted as an ad-hoc body in 1972, and became a statutory body in 1974 vide the Tamil Nadu Town & Country Planning Act, 1971. CMDA is responsible for the planned development and management of the Chennai Metropolitan Area with an extent of 1189 sq.km.

As per the T&CP Act, CMDA's functions include, but are not limited to the preparation of Master Plans, Regional Plans, Detailed Development Plans, and Local Area Plans, formulation, finance and execution of projects for the development of the Metropolitan Area, implementation and monitoring of the approved plans, and provide planning permissions.

CMDA'S SCOPE OF WORK:

Currently, the existing land use preparation and Third Master Plan preparation have been taken up under the World Bank assisted Tamil Nadu Housing and Habitat Development Project (TNHHDP).

Other key planning tools and initiatives include the Comprehensive Chennai Shoreline Re-Nourishment and Revitalization Project, Lakefront Development, land pooling schemes, Transit Oriented Development (TOD), Projects under Vada Chennai Valarchi Thittam, Island Grounds, other public Infrastructure under various Announcements such as bus termini, health infrastructure, parks, playgrounds, etc.

INTERNSHIP AT CMDA:

Since 2021, CMDA has been offering a bi-annual internship program for 30 aspiring planners, architects, civil engineers, economists, sociologists and related disciplines. This helps students / young professionals get a close view of the complex functioning and governance of Chennai Metropolis, helps them acquire critical skills and learning, test their technical and theoretical knowledge and allows them to actively participate in research and fieldwork.

A. PROGRAM DETAILS AND ELIGIBILITY

There are two categories of internship applications- students pursuing their UG/PG/Doctoral Degrees, and young graduates and post-graduates who have completed their course within a period of 1 year of having passed the final exam as on the date of applying for an internship.

B. DURATION OF INTERNSHIP

Applicants from both categories can intern for a minimum of 2 months to a maximum of 6 months at CMDA. If the internship period is lesser than 2 months, the applicant is not eligible for a stipend.

C. BENEFITS

- **Exposure to Live Projects:** Unique opportunity to gain hands-on experience in urban planning and development, particularly in the context of large-scale infrastructure projects and the Third Master Plan (TMP).



- **Learning from Experts:** The interns will have the chance to work with professionals and under their valuable mentorship and guidance, learn from their expertise and gain insights into the complexities of urban planning.
- **Developing Practical Skills:** The internship will help in developing practical skills such as data analysis, GIS mapping, report writing, and project management.
- **Access to Resources:** CMDA Library houses the following extensive collection of resources, and will be accessible to the selected interns during the period of internship (to be returned before leaving)- [List of Resources at CMDA](#)
- **Certificate:** An internship certificate shall be provided after successful completion of the internship period.
- **Stipend (Only for students/ young professionals who intern for a period of minimum 2 months):**

a. Category A- Students pursuing UG/ PG Degrees

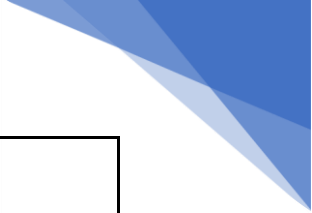
S. No	Qualification of interns	Stipend per month (INR)
1.	Students pursuing under-graduation (Disciplines relevant to CMDA)	8,000/-
2.	Students pursuing post-graduation (Disciplines relevant to CMDA)	10,000/-

b. Category B- Graduates and Post-Graduates who have completed their degree within a period of 1 year

S. No	Qualification of interns	Stipend per month (INR)
1.	Post Graduates- Planning /Urban Design/ Civil Engineering or Similar*	15,000/-
2.	Graduates in Planning/ Architecture or Similar Graduates in Civil Engineering or Similar Post Graduates in Sociology/ Economics or Similar*	12,000/-
3.	Graduates in Sociology/ Economics or Similar*	10,000/-

***The List of Similar Courses is mentioned in the table below**

S. No	Courses	Category
1.	Any field of Planning or Similar	Planning
2.	Architecture / Urban Design or Similar	Architecture
3.	Civil/Transport/ Structural/ Infrastructure Engineering, Geo-Informatics, Construction/ Project/Urban Management, or Similar	Engineering and Management



4.	Public Policy, Sociology, Social Work, Public Administration, Social Sciences, Humanities, Development Studies or Similar	Sociology
5.	Economics, Real Estate, or Similar	Economics

D. PROCESS OF APPLICATION

Interested candidates are requested to fill out the below application form along with a CV, Statement of Purpose, Work Samples/ Portfolio and Bonafide /Marksheets. Applications will be scrutinised through a selection committee for the award of the internship.

The **Deadline** for the application is **20.05.2025, 17:45 Hrs.**

Application form: <https://forms.gle/xyawjCvRotNHj16B9>

Sd/- 02.05.2025

Member Secretary, CMDA

